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## IMPORT TRADE BY COUNTRY

The Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce, announced today that the decrease in United States general imports (unadjusted for seasonal change) from $1,267.8 million in July to $1,233.5 million in August[1] reflected decreases in imports from all areas except Canada. Changes in the dollar values of general imports from these areas were as follows: Western Europe, from $350.3 to $328.0 million; Latin American Republics, from $250.7 to $243.2 million; Canada, from $271.6 to $288.4 million; and "all other countries," from $395.3 to $374.0 million.

The Bureau pointed out that from July to August, decreases occurred in imports from sterling area countries, from $245.6 to $213.6 million and O.E.E.C. countries, from $344.5 to $320.7 million. Decreases were noted in imports from all continents, except Asia and South America.

Imports from Africa fell from $71.6 million in July to $47.5 million in August. The bulk of this change was accounted for by a substantial drop in imports from the United Arab Republic (Egypt Region), from $13.4 to $0.9 million and to lesser decreases in imports from Ghana, from $11.6 to $7.8 million, and the Union of South Africa, from $12.2 to $8.8 million.

[1] On a seasonally-adjusted basis, total general imports were valued at $1,242.8 million in August as compared to $1,371.4 million in July. (See the August 1961 issue of Report No. FT 900-I.) Seasonally-adjusted data are not available by country of origin.

Decreases in imports from the United Kingdom, from $86.6 to $73.5 million and West Germany, from $73.6 to $65.2 million, largely accounted for the drop in imports from Europe, from $357.0 to $334.4 million. In spite of the increase in imports from Canada, as noted above, the level of imports from the continent of North America declined slightly from $391.2 to $387.2 million as small decreases were reported in imports from many of the other contries of this continent. The more noticeable of these were Mexico, from $44.4 to $37.3 million and Trinidad and Tobago, from $10.7 to $6.6 million. Although the decrease in imports from Australia and Oceania was small, from $35.0 to $33.4 million, sizable counterbalancing changes were reported in imports from two countries of this continent as follows: New Zealand, from $16.9 to $11.0 million and Australia, from $17.2 to $21.9 million.

Meanwhile, an increase in imports from Japan, from $92.6 to $107.3 million, was the chief factor in the increase in imports from Asia from $231.4 to $242.6 million. However, imports from India fell from $23.0 to $18.0 million. The rise in imports from South America, from $181.8 to $188.5 million, reflected increases in imports from Brazil, from $38.5 to $53.2 million and Venezuela, from $64.0 to $69.6 million which were partly offset by decreases in imports from Peru, from $20.6 to $12.7 million and Chile, from $18.6 to $11.9 million.

## EXPLANATION OF STATISTICS

COVERAGE: Import statistics include merchandise imported by government agencies as well as by private importers, but exclude American goods returned by the United States armed forces for their own use. United States trade with Puerto Rico and United States possessions is not included in this report but the import trade of Puerto Rico with foreign countries is included as a part of the United States import trade. Merchandise shipped in transit through the United States between foreign countries is not included in import statistics.

COUNTRY DEFINITION: Though the country which should be reported in the statistics as the country of origin is defined as the country where the merchandise was grown, mined or manufactured, the country actually shown in the statistics may in an number of cases represent some other country, such as the country of purchase, lading or the country in which mixed lots of various origin are consilidated. It follows, therefore, that imports from such merchanting or transshipment countries are likely to be overstated and imports from other countries correspondingly understated.

VALUATION: Import values are, in general, based on market price or selling price, and are, in general, f.o.b. the exporting country. They exclude United States import duties. None of the values have been adjusted for changes in price level.

EFFECT OF SAMPLING: Formal entry shipments valued less than $100 and informal entry shipments valued $250 or less (less than one percent of total import value) are estimated by sampling. The estimated values are included in the area, continent, and country totals in the table. The variability in the import figures due to sampling is no more than three percent or less than $50,000. For further information regarding the sampling procedures, see the "Explanation of the Sampling Procedure for Estimating Low Valued Imports" in the foreword of Report No. FT 110. The largest variation from rounding of figures is $50,000.

Further information regarding coverage, country definition, valuation, etc., is contained in the "General Explanation" in foreword of Report No. FT 110. For complete statement, see the foreword in Foreign Commerce and Navigation of the United States.

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UNITED STATES GENERAL IMPORTS, BY COUNTRY OF ORIGIN: AUGUST 1961 AND SELECTED PERIODS

(In millions of dollars. N.e.c. indicates not elsewhere classified. General imports are a total of imports for immediate consumption plus entries into bonded warehouses. Figures for 1961 are as originally issued and have not been revised to include published corrections. Figures for 1960 include revisions published with the December 1960 reports, or earlier, but do not include revisions published during 1961. See "Explanation of Statistics" for information on sampling procedures and effect thereof on the data shown.)

| Continent and country[1] | August 1961 | July 1961 | August 1960 | Monthly average 1960 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Total trade | 1,233.5 | 1,267.8 | 1,229.4 | 1,221.2 |
| Western Europe | 328.0 | 350.3 | 300.6 | 348.7 |
| Canada | 288.4 | 271.6 | 260.9 | 241.8 |
| Latin American Republics | 243.2 | 250.7 | 290.9 | 294.0 |
| All other countries | 374.0 | 395.3 | 376.9 | 336.6 |
| O.E.E.C. countries | 320.7 | 344.5 | 292.8 | 340.9 |
| Sterling area countries | 213.6 | 245.6 | 200.6 | 203.5 |
| North America | 387.2 | 391 2 | 368.3 | 369.1 |
| Greenland | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.1 |
| Canada (including Newfoundland and Labrador) | 288.4 | 271.6 | 260.9 | 241.8 |
| Miquelon and St. Pierre Islands | (*) | ... | 0.1 | (*) |
| Mexico[a] | 37.3 | 44.4 | 33.0 | 36.9 |
| Guatemala[a] | 2.1 | 2.7 | 2.4 | 4.9 |
| British Honduras[b] | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| El Salvador[a] | 2.7 | 4.6 | 1.7 | 2.7 |
| Honduras[a] | 2.4 | 2.6 | 3.3 | 2.8 |
| Nicaragua[a] | 1.0 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.7 |
| Costa Rica[a] | 3.1 | 3.7 | 4.1 | 2.9 |
| Republic of Panama[a] | 1.8 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 2.0 |
| Canal Zone | 0.1 | 1.2 | 0.2 | 0.3 |
| Bermuda[b] | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Bahamas[b] | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.7 |
| Cuba[a] | 2.3 | 3.4 | 11.7 | 29.8 |
| Jamaica[b] | 7.7 | 8.1 | 5.0 | 4.5 |
| Haiti[a] | 1.7 | 2.4 | 2.0 | 1.5 |
| Dominican Republic[a] | 4.7 | 5.5 | 9.6 | 9.2 |
| Leeward and Windward Islands[b] | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.1 |
| Barbados[b] | 0.2 | 0.1 | (*) | 0.1 |
| Trinidad and Tobago[b] | 6.6 | 10.7 | 4.8 | 4.6 |
| Netherlands Antilles | 22.0 | 21.5 | 24.9 | 22.1 |
| French West Indies | 1.9 | 4.3 | (*) | (*) |
| South America | 188.5 | 181.8 | 223.0 | 203.0 |
| Colombia[a] | 20.0 | 21.4 | 22.1 | 25.0 |
| Venezuela[a] | 69.6 | 64.0 | 75.9 | 79.0 |
| British Guiana[b] | 1.7 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 1.0 |
| Surinam | 2.5 | 2.7 | 2.5 | 2.5 |
| French Guiana | (*) | ... | 0.1 | (*) |
| Ecuador[a] | 4.6 | 2.7 | 8.5 | 5.5 |
| Peru[a] | 12.7 | 20.6 | 19.5 | 15.2 |
| Bolivia[a] | 0.7 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 0.7 |
| Chile[a] | 11.9 | 18.6 | 24.5 | 16.1 |
| Brazil[a] | 53.2 | 38.5 | 57.5 | 47.5 |
| Paraguay[a] | 1.0 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.7 |
| Uruguay[a] | 1.7 | 1.8 | 1.4 | 1.8 |
| Argentina[a] | 8.7 | 8.9 | 9.1 | 8.2 |
| Falkland Islands[b] | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Europe | 334.4 | 357.0 | 307.1 | 355.6 |
| Iceland[b,c,d] | 0.1 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 0.9 |
| Sweden[c,d] | 9.9 | 12.3 | 9.1 | 14.2 |
| Norway[c,d] | 6.2 | 6.8 | 5.2 | 5.5 |
| Denmark[c,] | 6.2 | 9.1 | 6.7 | 8.2 |

See footnotes at end of table.

UNITED STATES GENERAL IMPORTS, BY COUNTRY OF ORIGIN: AUGUST 1961 AND SELECTED PERIODS--Continued

| Continent and country[1] | August 1961 | July 1961 | August 1960 | Monthly average 1960 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Europe—Continued | | | | |
| United Kingdom[b,c,d] | 73.5 | 86.6 | 69.1 | 82.7 |
| Ireland (Eire)[b,c,d] | 3.3 | 2.6 | 2.8 | 2.4 |
| Netherlands[c,d] | 18.5 | 15.2 | 16.1 | 17.8 |
| Belgium and Luxembourg[c,d] | 29.9 | 31.6 | 23.3 | 30.4 |
| France[c,d] | 40.8 | 42.6 | 29.3 | 33.0 |
| West Germany[c,d] | 65.2 | 73.6 | 63.6 | 74.7 |
| East Germany | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.3 |
| Austria[c,d] | 4.3 | 3.9 | 4.5 | 4.1 |
| Czechoslovakia | 0.8 | 0.9 | 1.1 | 1.0 |
| Hungary | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| Switzerland[c,d] | 14.5 | 16.6 | 14.6 | 16.4 |
| Finland[c] | 4.0 | 3.1 | 3.9 | 4.4 |
| Estonia | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Latvia | (*) | ... | ... | (*) |
| Lithuania | ... | ... | ... | (*) |
| Poland and Danzig | 3.3 | 3.7 | 2.8 | 3.2 |
| Union of Soviet Socialist Republics | 1.3 | 1.5 | 1.8 | 1.9 |
| Azores | 0.1 | (*) | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Spain[c,d] | 6.9 | 7.2 | 6.1 | 7.3 |
| Portugal[c,d] | 3.3 | 2.7 | 3.3 | 2.9 |
| Gibraltar[b] | (*) | (*) | 0.1 | (*) |
| Malta, Gozo, and Cyprus[b] | 0.1 | (*) | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Italy[c,d] | 36.8 | 31.5 | 34.4 | 32.8 |
| Free Territory of Trieste[c,d] | ... | (*) | ... | (*) |
| Yugoslavia[c] | 3.2 | 2.7 | 4.0 | 3.4 |
| Albania | ... | (*) | ... | (*) |
| Greece[c,d] | 0.9 | 0.8 | 1.3 | 2.8 |
| Rumania | 0.2 | (*) | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Bulgaria | (*) | (*) | (*) | 0.1 |
| Turkey[c,d] | 0.5 | 0.6 | 2.2 | 5.0 |
| Asia | 242.6 | 231.4 | 262.7 | 226.7 |
| United Arab Republic (Syria Region) | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.5 |
| Lebanon | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.3 |
| Iraq (Mesopotamia) | 2.9 | 2.3 | 1.2 | 2.3 |
| Iran (Persia) | 5.3 | 6.5 | 4.3 | 4.3 |
| Israel | 3.1 | 2.3 | 2.4 | 2.3 |
| Palestine | ... | ... | ... | (*) |
| Jordan[b] | (*) | (*) | (*) | (*) |
| Kuwait[b] | 9.2 | 7.4 | 12.5 | 10.3 |
| Saudi Arabia | 3.0 | 4.4 | 7.1 | 5.4 |
| Arabia Peninsula States, n.e.c | 3.0 | 2.3 | 1.0 | 0.4 |
| Aden[b] | (*) | (*) | 0.1 | (*) |
| State of Bahrein[b] | (*) | (*) | (*) | 0.2 |
| Afghanistan | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 1.7 |
| India[b] | 18.0 | 23.0 | 17.6 | 19.0 |
| Pakistan[b] | 2.5 | 2.6 | 2.1 | 3.0 |
| Nepal | ... | (*) | (*) | (*) |
| Ceylon[b] | 2.8 | 2.6 | 2.5 | 3.2 |
| Burma[b] | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Thailand (Siam) | 3.1 | 3.0 | 5.7 | 4.6 |
| Viet-Nam | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.4 |
| Laos | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Cambodia | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 0.6 |
| Federation of Malaya[b] | 13.6 | 15.9 | 19.1 | 13.0 |
| Colony of Singapore; British Borneo[b] | 2.6 | 0.8 | 1.2 | 1.6 |
| Republic of Indonesia | 14.4 | 14.5 | 23.2 | 18.0 |
| Republic of the Philippines | 31.0 | 33.2 | 35.2 | 25.5 |
| Macao (Macau) | (*) | (*) | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Portuguese Asia, n.e.c | ... | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Southern and Southeastern Asia, n.e.c | ... | ... | (*) | (*) |
| China (including Manchuria) | (*) | 0.1 | (*) | (*) |
| Outer Mongolia | (*) | ... | (*) | 0.2 |

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| Continent and country[1] | August 1961 | July 1961 | August 1960 | Monthly average 1960 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Asia—Continued | | | | |
| North Korea | ... | ... | (*) | (*) |
| Republic of Korea | 1.1 | 1.0 | 0.4 | 0.4 |
| Hong Kong[b] | 11.5 | 10.6 | 13.4 | 11.6 |
| Taiwan (Formosa) | 5.9 | 4.2 | 1.6 | 1.7 |
| Japan | 107.3 | 92.6 | 110.0 | 95.7 |
| Nansei and Nanpo Islands, n.e.c. | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.2 |
| Australia and Oceania | 33.4 | 35.0 | 28.2 | 22.2 |
| Australia[b] | 21.9 | 17.2 | 16.7 | 11.8 |
| New Guinea[b] | (*) | 0.1 | (*) | 0.1 |
| New Zealand[b] | 11.0 | 16.9 | 11.0 | 9.9 |
| British Western Pacific Islands[b] | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.5 | 0.1 |
| French Pacific Islands | 0.1 | (*) | (*) | (*) |
| Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands | (*) | 0.5 | (*) | 0.2 |
| Africa | 47.5 | 71.6 | 40.0 | 44.6 |
| Morocco | 0.6 | 0.9 | 0.5 | 0.9 |
| Algeria | (*) | (*) | 0.4 | 0.1 |
| Tunisia | (*) | 0.2 | 0.1 | (*) |
| Libya[b] | (*) | 0.1 | (*) | (*) |
| United Arab Republic (Egypt Region) | 0.9 | 13.4 | 1.7 | 2.6 |
| Sudan | 0.4 | 1.1 | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| Canary Islands | (*) | (*) | (*) | (*) |
| Spanish Africa, n.e.c. | ... | ... | ... | 0.1 |
| Cameroun | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.6 |
| Western Equatorial Africa[2] | 0.2 | 0.1 | (*) | 0.1 |
| Western Africa, n.e.c.[3] | 1.9 | 2.4 | 0.8 | 2.2 |
| Ghana[b] | 7.8 | 11.6 | 2.9 | 4.4 |
| Nigeria[b] | 5.3 | 7.9 | 4.3 | 3.3 |
| British West Africa, n.e.c.[b] | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.3 |
| Madeira Islands | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.2 |
| Angola | 1.5 | 1.8 | 0.8 | 2.1 |
| Western Portuguese Africa, n.e.c. | 0.2 | 1.1 | (*) | (*) |
| Liberia | 2.5 | 3.5 | 2.8 | 3.3 |
| Republic of the Congo; and Ruanda-Urundi[4] | 9.3 | 5.2 | 7.6 | 5.7 |
| Somali Republic[5] | (*) | (*) | 0.2 | 0.1 |
| Ethiopia (Abyssinia) | 2.2 | 2.8 | 2.9 | 2.2 |
| French Somaliland | (*) | (*) | (*) | (*) |
| Seychelles and Dependencies[b] | (*) | (*) | (*) | (*) |
| Mauritius and Dependencies[b] | ... | ... | ... | (*) |
| British East Africa[b] | 3.0 | 4.8 | 2.7 | 3.8 |
| Mozambique | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.4 |
| Malagasy Republic[6] | 1.5 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 1.1 |
| Union of South Africa[b] | 8.8 | 12.2 | 8.0 | 9.0 |
| Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland[b] | 0.5 | 0.6 | 1.4 | 1.4 |

[a]Latin American Republics. [b]Sterling area countries. [c]Western Europe. [d]O.E.E.C. (Organization for European Economic Co-operation) countries. *Indicates less than 50,000. [1]For definitions of countries as used in this report, refer to current edition of Schedule C, Classification of Country Designations Used in Compiling the United States Foreign Trade Statistics. [2]Country designation established effective July 1960. Formerly French Equatorial Africa. [3]Country designation established effective July 1960. Formerly French West Africa and Republic of Togo. [4]Country designation established effective July 1960. Formerly Belgian Congo. [5]Country designation established effective July 1960. Includes areas formerly known as "Somaliland" and "British Somaliland." The data shown for periods prior to July 1960 reflect combined totals on United States export trade with Somaliland and British Somaliland. [6]Country designation established effective July 1960. Formerly Madagascar.